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Special Announcement

Strengthening Partners Initiative (SPI). *The DC Office of Partnerships and Grants Development (OPGD)* announces that applications are available for the 2003-2004 SPI Class. SPI is a training opportunity for emerging nonprofit and faith-based organizations. The one-year program will help nonprofit professionals move their organizations to the next level of operations and service-delivery. Executive Directors (or equivalent positions) from organizations located and providing direct services in DC may apply if the following conditions are met: incorporated in DC; 501(c)(3) status from the IRS; active Board of Directors that meets regularly and is engaged in supporting the organization; annual budget under $500,000; full-time Executive Director; desires professional and organizational growth; strong commitment to complete the 12 month program and attendance requirements; willing to host a site visit from the selection committee. **The deadline for applications is July 31, 2003, at 5pm.** Applications **must be picked up** from OPGD, 441 4th Street, NW, Suite 200 South, Washington, DC. For additional information, call (202) 727-8900.

Federal Opportunities

Child Care Research and Evaluation. *The Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS)/ Administration for Children and Families (ACF)* announces funds to research and evaluate projects in the following areas: Child Care Research and Collaboration, Child Care Research Scholarships, and Evaluation of Promising Models and Delivery Approaches to Child Care Provider Training. Eligible applicants include state and local government entities, nonprofit agencies and organizations, public and private institutions, community and faith-based organizations. The deadline for applications is August 25, 2003. Approximately $3.5 million is available to fund 6 awards. For further information, contact Karen Tvedt at (202) 401-5130 or ktvedt@acf.hhs.gov; or go to: http://www.tgci.com/fedrgtxt/03-17395.txt. This grant is subject to "Intergovernmental Review" under EO 12372.

Compassion Capital Fund Targeted Capacity-Building Program. *The Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS)/Office of Community Services (OCS)* announces funds to build the capacity of faith-based and community organizations that address the needs of at-risk youth or the homeless. Awards will assist these organizations to improve their program effectiveness and sustainability, access funds from diverse sources, and emulate model programs and best practices. Eligible applicants include private, nonprofit, community and faith-based organizations, especially partnerships and coalitions, that have been established for at least one year and addressing the needs of the homeless or at-risk youth. The deadline for applications is August 11, 2003. Approximately $2.5 million is available to fund grants up to $50,000. For further information, contact LCG OCS Operations Center at 1 (800) 281-9519 or OCS@lcgnet.com; or go to: http://www.tgci.com/fedrgtxt/03-17412.txt. This grant is subject to "Intergovernmental Review" under EO 12372.

Consolidated Grant Program. *The Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS)/Office of Community Services (OCS)* announces funds for the following programs: Assets for Independence,

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Community Economic Development, Community Food & Nutrition, Job Opportunities, Family Violence Prevention and Services, Training, Technical Assistance and Capacity-Building. Eligible applicants include nonprofit organizations, and state and local government entities. The deadline for applications is August 11, 2003. Approximately $39.9 million is available for various amounts of awards under each program. For further information go to: http://www.acf.hhs.gov/programs/ocs/kits1.htm.

Demonstration Grants for Student Drug Testing. *The Department of Education (DOED)* announces funds to develop or enhance, implement, and evaluate school-based drug testing programs for students. Eligible applicants include LEAs and public and private entities. The deadline for applications is August 20, 2003. Approximately $2 million is available to fund 7 awards, ranging from $200,000-$400,000. For further information, contact Heather Carkuff at heather.carkuff@ed.gov; or go to: http://a257.g.akamaitech.net/7/257/2422/14mar20010800/edocket.access.gpo.gov/2003/03-17536.htm. This grant is subject to "Intergovernmental Review" under EO 12372.

Development and Evaluation of Medical Laboratory Quality Indicators and Monitoring of Voluntary Practice Guidelines as a Model. *The Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS)/ Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC)* announces funds for a program to develop and evaluate appropriate medical laboratory quality indicators and to evaluate the implementation of voluntary laboratory practice guidelines. Eligible applicants include nonprofit organizations, faith-based organizations, and state and local governments. The deadline for applications is August 8, 2003. Approximately $125,000 is available to fund 1 award. For further information contact Deborah Workman at (770) 488-2085 or at17@cdc.gov; or go to: http://www.tgci.com/fedrgtxt/03-17308.txt.

Employment Subsidy Program for Refugees With Assimilation Difficulties. *The Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS)/Administration for Children and Families (ACF)* announces funds for employment subsidy projects for refugees who have experienced long-term difficulties with assimilation. These grants are intended for localities with

concentrations of refugees who have experienced difficulty integrating economically and socially into local communities. Eligible applicants include nonprofit agencies, and community and faith-based organizations. The deadline for application is August 8, 2003. Approximately $5 million is available to fund 10-20 awards, ranging from $200,000-$800,000. For further information, contact Jane Sommerville at (202) 401-4861 or msommerville@acf.hhs.gov; Daphne Weeden at (202) 401-4577 or dweeden@acf.hhs.gov; or go to: http://www.acf.hhs.gov. This grant is subject to "Intergovernmental Review" under EO 12372.

Enhancing Testing Practices in the Clinical Laboratory by Developing Specific Training Activities for Medical Technologists (MT) Medical Laboratory Technicians (MLT), and Pathologists. *The Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS)/Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC)* announces funds to enhance laboratory testing practices and quality of laboratory testing in the U.S. These enhancements will be related to areas of public health significance such as HIV rapid testing, testing for genetic disorders, chemical terrorism events, other diseases of public health importance, and the regulations governing laboratory testing. Funding will evaluate the training received by MTs, MLTs, and pathologists, as well. Eligible applicants include nonprofit and faith-based organizations. The deadline for application is August 8, 2003. Approximately $150,000 is available to fund 1 award. For further information, contact Technical Information Management at (770) 488-2700 or go to: http://www.tgci.com/fedrgtxt/03-17307.txt.

Initiative to Integrate Clinical Laboratories in Public Health Laboratory Testing. *The Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS)* announces funds to demonstrate ways in which clinical laboratories may be better prepared to conduct public health related testing and participate in public health systems. Eligible applicants include nonprofit organizations, universities, faith-based organizations, and state and local government entities. The deadline for applications is August 8, 2003. Approximately $200,000 is available for 1 award. For further information, contact Deborah Workman at (770) 488-2085 or 17@cdc.gov; or go to: http://www.tgci.com/fedrgtxt/03-17305.txt.

Metropolitan/Urban Projects to Increase African American Safety Belt Use. *The Department of Transportation (DOT)/National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA)* announces funds for a discretionary cooperative agreement to support demonstration projects in key metropolitan/urban cities designed to increase African American safety belt use. Eligible applicants include nonprofit and for-profit national organizations dedicated to serving the needs and/or addressing issues specific to African American communities. The deadline for applications is August 5, 2003. Approximately $2 million is available to fund 1 award that may be sub-contracted with local or community based service providers to administer demonstration projects in approximately 3-4 sites. For more information, contact April Jennings at (202) 366-9571 or ajennings@nhtsa.dot.gov with general administrative questions; Shirley Peterson Barton at sbarton@nhtsa.dot.gov with programmatic questions; or go to: http://www.tgci.com/fedrgtxt/03-171009.txt.

Operational Health Center Networks. *The Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS)* announces funds to support costs associated with the operation of a practice management or managed care network or plan. Eligible applicants include public and nonprofit organizations, including community and faith-based organizations. The deadline for applications is August 11, 2003. Approximately$2.1 million is available to fund 5-7 awards, ranging from $150,000-$300,000. For further information, contact HRSA Grants Application Center at 1 (877) 477-2123 or hrsagac@hrsa.gov; or go to: http://a257.g.akamaitech.net/7/257/2422/14mar20010800/edocket.access.gpo.gov/2003/03-17530.htm. This grant is subject to "Intergovernmental Review" under EO 12372.

Special Education – Training and Information for Parents of Children With Disabilities Program – Technical Assistance for the Parent Centers. *The Department of Education (DOED)/Office of Special Education and Rehabilitative Services (OSERS)* announces funds to ensure that parents of children with disabilities receive training and information to help improve the results for their children. Eligible applicants include nonprofit organizations. The deadline for applications is August 8, 2003. Approximately $1.5 million is available to fund 6 awards – 1 in each of 6 geographic areas. For further information, contact the Grants and Contracts Services Team at (202) 205-8207 or go to: http://www.tgci.com/fedrgtxt/03-17360.txt. This grant is subject to "Intergovernmental Review" under EO 12372.

District Opportunities

Electronic Grants Clearinghouse. *The DC Office of Partnerships and Grants Development* is the clearinghouse for the Government of the District of Columbia's grant programs. Notices and application packets are still available at http://opgd.dc.gov/info/grant/funding_grants/index.shtm for the following notices:

The Deputy Mayor for Planning and Economic Development, Commercial District Technical Assistance Program (CD-TAP), due July 31, 2003.

The Deputy Mayor for Planning and Economic Development, Commercial Property Acquisition and Development Program (CP-A&D), due July 31, 2003.

The Department of Housing and Community Development, Housing Programs, due July 31, 2003.

The DC Office of the Deputy Mayor for Public Safety and Justice/Justice Grants Administration, Byrne Formula Block Grant Program, due July 31, 2003, at 5pm.

The DC Office of the Deputy Mayor for Public Safety and Justice/Justice Grants Administration Crime Victims Assistance Grant (VOCA), due July 31, 2003, at 5pm.

The DC Office of the Deputy Mayor for Public Safety and Justice/Justice Grants Administration, Grants to Encourage Arrest Policies, due July 31, 2003, at 5pm.

The DC Office of the Deputy Mayor for Public Safety and Justice/Justice Grants Administration, Juvenile Justice Challenge Activities Grants, due July 31, 2003, at 5pm.

The DC Office of the Deputy Mayor for Public Safety and Justice/Justice Grants Administration, Local Law Enforcement Block Grant, due July 31, 2003, at 5pm.

The DC Office of the Deputy Mayor for Public Safety and Justice/Justice Grants Administration, The Services*Training*Officers*Prosecution (STOP) Violence Against Women Formula Grant, due July 31, 2003, at 5pm.

The DC Office of the Deputy Mayor for Public Safety and Justice/Justice Grants Administration, The Services*Training*Officers*Prosecution (STOP) Violence Against Women Formula Grant II, due July 31, 2003, at 5pm.

The DC Office of the Deputy Mayor for Public Safety and Justice/Justice Grants Administration, Title II Juvenile Justice Grants, due July 31, 2003, at 5pm.

The DC Office of the Deputy Mayor for Public Safety and Justice/Justice Grants Administration, Title V Delinquency Prevention Incentive Grants, due July 31, 2003, at 5pm.

The DC Office of the Deputy Mayor for Public Safety and Justice/Justice Grants Administration, Victims' Assistance Fund, due July 31, 2003, at 5pm.

The DC Commission on National and Community Service (DC-CNCS), Youth Service Projects, due August 4, 2003.

Foundation Opportunities

Children. *The Hasbro Children's Foundation* is committed to improving the emotional, mental and physical well-being of children, birth through age 12, through the support of innovative direct service programs in the areas of health, education and social services. In making funding decisions, the foundation is guided by three values: Caring - programs that work to ensure that all children have safe and caring environments where they can grow and thrive; Opportunity - programs that provide healthcare, education, and social services that give young children the help they need to join their peers in learning and achieving; and Joy - opportunities for the most vulnerable children to experience joyful moments as part of their everyday life. Eligible applicants include nonprofit organizations. The deadline for applications is open. For more information, go to: http://www.hasbro.org/hcf/

Education Program Initiation/Expansion: Employment, Health and Life Skills and **The Right**

Choices for Youth Demonstration and Model Program. *The Institute for Youth Development* has released two Requests for Proposals (RFPs) for DHHS Compassion Capital Fund sub-grants. Funding is available to initiate or expand services to targeted community populations. Eligible applicants include faith-based and community based organizations that have not previously received a direct federal grant or a federal "block grant" award. The deadline for applications is August 15, 2003. Approximately $2 million is available to fund 55-95 awards, ranging from $5,000-$50,000. For further information, go to: www.youthdevelopment.org; or contact the Institute for Youth Development at (703) 471-8750.

Environmental Causes. *The Town Creek Foundation* supports programs that engage citizens in challenging the unsustainable use of natural resources and in protecting biological diversity. Strategies supported are grassroots activism, monitoring the enforcement of environmental laws, public policy advocacy, collaborative opportunities, media outreach, and model or demonstration projects fostering sustainable policies and practices. Eligible applicants include nonprofit organizations. The deadline for applications is September 15, 2003. A letter of inquiry (LOI) may be submitted before a full proposal is prepared. LOIs may be submitted at any time but will have a better chance at response if made more than a month before the application deadline. For further information, go to: http://www.towncreekfdn.org/tcfsite/tabout.html.

Technology Support. *Progressive Technology Project* helps grassroots organizations to build the best tools and uses of technology possible, support their use by community leaders and organizing staff, test them in meaningful work and share experiences so the entire community organizing field can benefit from the results. Applicants will have a strong organizational infrastructure; a willingness to spread access, skills, and use of technology broadly; a demonstrated capacity to share information and educate others; and recognition of their need for technology to assist their organizing campaigns. Eligible applicants include nonprofit, community-based organizations with an IRS tax-exempt 501(c)(3) status or must be sponsored by such an organization. The deadline for applications is August 29, 2003. Grants will be used for needs assessment,

planning, purchasing hardware and software, designing applications, setting up systems, training and support, and other strategic uses. For further information, go to: http://www.progressivetech.org/index.htm.

Resources & Announcements

Building Extranets and Online Communities. *The Benton Foundation, with support from The Pew Charitable Trusts,* has developed guidelines to help foundations and nonprofits plan, build and sustain online communities in order to organize groups of grantees, volunteers or other collections of constituents. To read the report, go to: http://www.pewtrusts.com/return_results.cfm?content_item_id=1611.

Community-Based Project Database. *The Community Research and Learning Network (CoRAL)* announces its online database of community-based projects. You can browse through researchers' project listings to find one of interest to you, or you can post your own project descriptions for researchers to browse. It's a great way to find the right partner for whatever project(s) you have in mind. To set up a user profile and access the database, go to: www.coralnetwork.org. If you have any questions or feedback, contact CoRAL at coralnetwork@georgetown.edu or (202) 687-4413.

Form 990. *The National Center for Charitable Statistics* has made Form 990 software available for free on its website. Form 990 is the information return that most tax-exempt 501(c) organizations must file. The primary exceptions are organizations with gross annual receipts of less than $25,000, and congregations. Although always a public document, Form 990 has been gaining in visibility ever since 1999, the year that new public disclosure laws took effect requiring nonprofits to provide copies of their Forms 990 and 1023 to the public, and the Guidestar website began to display images of 990s filed by every 501(c)(3) charity in the U.S. Increasingly, donors, funders, reporters, policymakers, and charities are turning to the 990 to learn more about an organization's finances, board members, program and lobbying activity. For more information and to download the free software, go to: http://www.form990.org.

Grants Information Resource Center (GIRC). *The Office of Partnerships and Grants Development (OPGD)* provides assistance to nonprofit and government representatives through a resource center at One Judiciary Square, 441 4th Street, NW, Suite 200 South. The GIRC provides technical assistance that connects DC Government agencies, nonprofit and faith-based organizations to information about resources that improve community services in the city. The primary focus of the GIRC is to assist emerging and small nonprofits that either lack computer access or the knowledge to best use their existing computer technology to identify grant, capacity building, and other related resource information online. Featured in the GIRC are four workstations with funding research databases and access to the Internet. The Center also has a small library of printed materials. Access to the GIRC is free of charge but does require an appointment. **Call (202) 727-8900 to schedule an appointment.**

Request for Comment. *The DC Justice Grants Administration* is requesting written comments on the District's FY 2002 Byrne Strategy for the Edward Byrne Memorial State and Local Law Enforcement Assistance Formula Grant Program, commonly known as the Drug Control and System Improvement Grant Program. The deadline for written comments is July 31, 2003. Copies of the FY 2002/03 Byrne Strategy's projected use of funds are available Monday through Friday from 9am-6:00pm at the Office of The Deputy Mayor for Public Safety and Justice, Justice Grants Administration, 1350 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW, Washington, DC 20004, Suite 327. Comments should be addressed to Trisha Gentle, Director, Attention: Phyllis McKinney, JGA, 1350 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW, Suite 327, Washington, DC 20004. For further information, contact Phyllis McKinney at (202) 727-1700.

Supplemental Educational Services Workshop. *The U.S. Department of Education's Center for Faith-Based and Community Initiatives* will host a free workshop to assist faith-based and community organizations in applying to become approved providers of extra academic help for disadvantaged students (Supplemental Educational Services). The workshop will be held on Saturday, July 26, 2003, from 1-4pm, at First Baptist Church of Glenarden, 3600 Brightseat Road, Landover, MD. Pre-

registration is required by July 23, 2003, and space is limited. Due to space limitations, no more than two individuals per organization may attend. To register, call (202) 219-1746 or 1-800-USA-LEARN to have a form faxed to you.

Web Clinic. *The U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD)* will host a clinic on how to design an effective and low cost public service website. Learn how to take advantage of the Internet to deliver your information and services to the ever-growing online audience. The clinic will take place on Wednesday, July 30, from 8:30am-3:15pm, HUD Headquarters Building, 451 7th Street, SW, Room B-182, Washington, DC. To register for this free clinic, write to: Joanne_L._Johnson@hud.gov; or call (202) 708-1547 and ask for Joanne Johnson (x 6610) or Helen Savoye (x 3950).

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